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The booklet contains information about an experimental space science survey course which explores the tools and methods used to study space. Included are a list of 22 performance objectives, an outline of the content in the course, lists of experiments, demonstrations, and projects for the course and the books in which these are to be found, a list of report topics, a list of 16mm films related to space, references, and other information. (PR)



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SPACE SCIENCE

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Space Science is a survey course exploring the tools and methods scientists use to study space. Astronomical measurement, inter-relationships, theories of the origin of the universe, star descriptions, space travel and oddities of space are included.

ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES:

None

STATE ADOPTED TEXT BOCKS

- Brown, F. Martin, Kemper, Grace, and Lewis, John. <u>Earth Science</u>.
 New Jersey: Silver Burdett, 1970.
- 2. Earth Science Curriculum Project, Investigating the Earth. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1967.
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PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- Given a diagram of a telescope, the student will label the principal 1.
- The student will compare the refractor and reflector telescopes. 2.
- Given certain desired outcomes the student will decide which 3. telescope is best suited for the job.
- The student will describe how a star's spectrum can help the 4. astronomer.
- The student will explain how the Doppler effect leads astronomers 5• to infer the universe is expanding.
- Given a number in the trillions the student will express it in 6. scientific notation.
- Given distances to various locations in space, the student will 7. select the best unit of measurement, astronomical unit, light year, or parsec.
- Given the names and terms Ptolemy, Kepler, heliocentric, elliptical, 8. circular, Copernicus, and geocentric the student will discuss orbital motion using each.

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- The student will explain how Bode's theory helped astronomers 9. discover asteroids.
- The student will relate Newton's three laws of motion to a rocket 10. launch.
- After studying the theories of the origin of the universe the 11. student will cite the strength and weaknesses of each theory.
- Given pictures of various types of galaxies the student will be 12. able to classify them as to elliptical, spiral or barred spiral types.
- The student will contrast apparent and absolute magnitudes. 13.
- Given a H-R diagram the student will be able to place the unn, 14. white dwarf, and red giant type stars.
- The student will arrange these colors in increasing star temperature, 15. blue-white, orange, red, yellow, and white.
- Given characteristics of various star types the student will classify 16. them as to binary, nova, supernova, and Cepheid variables.
- Given diagrams of some of the common constellations, the student will 17. name them.



- 18. The student will distinguish between primary and secondary cosmic rays.
- 19. The student will state the relationship between meteors and comets.
- 20. Draw a graph representing your idea of how the amount of energy released from a star changes with time. Use the vertical axis for the amount of energy released and the horizontal axis for the time.
- 21. Give a hypothesis to explain either quasars or pulsars.
- 22. Plan a space trip to any location in space, and list possible problems and solutions, the type of personnel needed and why, special instruments and why.

COURSE OUTLINE

- I. Basic Tools and Methods
 - A. Telescopes
 - 1. Types
 - a. Reflector
 - b. Refractor
 - c. Schmidt
 - d. Radio
 - 2. How they work
 - B. Spectrograph
 - C. Photometry
 - D. Doppler Effect
 - 1. Red shift
 - 2. Blue shift

II. Astronomical Measurement

- A. Scientific Notation
- B. Astronomical Unit
- C. Light Year
- D. Parsec--3.26 light years
- E. Parallax--triangulation method of measuring astronomical distance

III. Space Relationships

- A. Kepler's Laws
- B. Bode's theory



- C. Newton
 - 1. Gravity
 - 2. Laws of motion
- D. The nature of orbits

IV. The Universe

- A. Theories of origin
 - 1. Big bang
 - 2. Oscillating-universe
 - 3. Steady state
- B. Galaxies
 - 1. Classification
 - 2. Clusters
 - 3. Hilky way
- C. Intergalactic gas

Stars V.

- A. Magnitude

 - Apparent
 Absolute---luminosity
 Inverse square law
- J. Stellar energy

 - Proton-proton cycle
 Carbon-nitrogen cycle
- C. H-R diagram
 - 1. Color
 - 2. Luminosity
 - 3. Temperature
- D. Double or binary
- E. Cepheid variables
- F. Novae and Super nova
- G. Evolution of a star
- H. Constellations
- I. Satellites of stars

 - 1. Planets
 2. Asteroids
 3. Comets

VI. Visitors from space

- A. Cosmic rays
- B. Meteors
 - 1. Never reach earth
 - 2. Called shooting stars
- C. Meteorites

VII. Noise from space

- A. Quasars
- B. Pulsars

VIII. Space travel

- A. Why?
- B. Training
- C. Problems
- D. Instruments and equipment needed
- E. Future

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How light travels (p. 493)

How the refracting telescope works (pp. 495-496) 2.

The reflection of light (p. 497)

- Diagram orbits of three different planets (Making predictions 利, p. 516)
- Newton's first law of motion (pp. 530-531)

Brown, F. Martin, Kemper, Grace, and Lewis, John. Laboratory Investigations in Earth Science. New Jersey: Silver Burdett, 1970.

Shapes of impact craters (pp. 133-135) 6.

Finding the Latitude of the North Star (pp. 71-74)

Orbiting Masses (pp. 5-8) 8.

Apparent Retrograde Motion (pp. 9-12) 9.

Earth Science Curriculum Project. Investigating the Earth. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1967.

Investigating motions in the sky, p. 84 (4-1) 10.

Investigating the behavior of a falling object, p. 107 (5-2) 11.

Apparent motion of Mars, p. 496 (activity) 12.

Motions and phases of Planet X, p. 497 (23-2) 13.

Creating a model of the solar system, p. 501 (23-4)

- 14. Estimating brightness and color of stars, p. 519 (activity)
- 15. Calculate time of orbit for a double star, p. 525 (activity) 16.

Investigating spectra, p. 527 (24-7) 17.

- Comparing the sun with other stars, p. 529 (24-9) .
- 18. Measuring the diameter of the sun, p. 520 (24-10)

19. Investigating galaxies, p. 547 (25-7) 20.

Investigating the motion of galaxies, p. 556 (26-3) 21.

Hibbs, Albert and Eiss, Albert. The Earth-Space Sciences. River Forest, Illinois: Laidlaw Brothers, 1971.

Observe stars using a star map (pp. 46-47) 22.

Time exposure photographs (p. 48)

- 23. Effects of nebulae on our observations of stars (p. 56) 24.
- Observe the Milky Way and the Andromeda galaxy (p. 62)
- 25. Estimate the number of stars shown in a photograph of a 26. portion of the Milky Way, p. 65 (some things to do #1)
- Observe the brightness of different stars (p. 67) 27. Infrared radiation-comparing two irons (p. 70)
- 28. Examination of a spectrum (p. 73)

29. Observe a double star (p. 77)

30. Observe two types of star clusters (p. 81)

31. Observe scintillations of a luminous watch (p. 83) 32.



Select 10 brightest stars and find their names on a star 33. map, p. 87 (some things to do #3) Relationship between distance and brightness (p. 90) 34. Chart - computation of the radius, distance, or the apparent 35. magnitude of a star (p. 92) Observe parallax (p. 93) **36.** Comparing units of distance (p. 98) 37. Wave motion showing the Doppler Effect (p. 102) 38. Movement about the center of mass (p. 105) 39• How the baseline affects parallax, p. 109 (some things to do #1) 40. Finding the center of the mass of the earth-moon system, p. 109 41. (challenges in science #2) Construction of H-R diagram 42. Observe a red giant and a main sequence star 43. Model of the expending universe 44. Scale drawing of the solar system (p. 161) 45. Draw and compare ellipses (p. 166) 46. Observe a meteor shower (p. 174) 47. Measuring centripetal force (p. 183) 48. Comparing a rotating mass to the rotating mass of a gas (p. 202) 49.

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52. The changing stars (pp. 75-82)
53. Using a star finder (pp. 124-129)

54. Making a star map (p. 131)
55. Difference between star magnitude and luminosity (pp. 131-135)

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56. Heasuring angles of elevation (p. 33)
57. Finding true north (p. 340)

58. Magnitude of common stars (p. 341) 59. Locate the true horison (p. 342)

60. Changes in star elevations (p. 343)

61. The sky clock (p. 344)
62. Star trails (pp. 344-345)

63. Make a model sky (p. 347) 64. Locate sky equator (p. 348)

65. Circumpoler Constellations (p. 349)

66. Effect of latitude (p. 349)

67. Scale model solar system (p. 354)

Count the number of stars in the sky, p. 366 (#11) 68.

Parallax (p. 393) 69.

A model of the earth's precession and change in the north 70. star (p. 396)

Kepler's second law of planetary motion (p. 405) 71.

Orbits of planets (p. 406) 72.

Putting an object in motion (p. 407) 73.

Chart on Bode's theory (p. 408) 74.

Falling bodies (p. 416) 75.

Projectiles (p. 417) 76.

Effect of force on velocity (p. 418) 77.

Effect of mass (p. 418) 78.

One and two stage rockets (p. 420) 79.

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Sun's spectrum using a prism (p. 470)

Magnitude and distance (p. 478)

Difficulty of sending a spacecraft to another planet, p. 490 3. (a search for patterns #2)

Light refraction (p. 494)

Hibbs, Albert and Eiss, Albert. The Earth-Space Sciences. River Forest, Illinois: Laidlav Brothers, 1971.

Detect cosmic rays using a Geiger counter (p. 41)

Electroscope discharge (p. 531) Comparing 200 inches in diameter to 1/8 inch in diameter (T-32)* 6.

7. Apparent shapes of galaxies with pie plates (T-32) 8.

Relationship between a star's temperature and color (T-37) Relationship between the size of the angle of parallax and the 9. 10.

distance to the object being observed (7-44) Compare student's mass to something 1/332,000 of his mass for 11. relationship of the sun to earth (?-63)

Use a candle to show difficulty in measuring the sun (T-63) 12.

Nichrone wire to show colors of various elements (7464) 13.

Density (T-68) 14.

- Features of an orbit using a rubber ball and string (T-69) 15.
- Inertia (7-77) Radiometer showing decrease of radiation as distance increases (T-83) 16. 17.
- Estimate of number of meteors on one part of the earth (T-178) Spinthariscope showing production of secondary particles (T-183) 18.
- 19.



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- 20. The effect of vibration on human performance and reaction (pp. 75-76)
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- 22. The vestibular effects of acceleration and rotation on human performance (pp. 126-129)
- 23. The method of trigometric stellar parallax, p. 29 (1-4)
- 24. Apparent and absolute magnitude, p. 33 (1-5)
- 25. The inverse-square law, p. 33 (1-6)
- 26. Energy and the color of light, p. 50 (11-9)
- 27. Continuous spectra and the measurement of color intensity p. 50 (11-3)
- 28. Behavior of falling bodies, p. 123 (VI-I)
- 29. Newton's three laws of motion (pp. 123-124)

RESOURCE MATERIALS FOR ADDITIONAL DEMONSTRATIONS

- 30. Reflecting telescope
- 31. Refracting telescope
- 32. Cloud chamber
- 33. Doppler effect apparatus
- 34. Radiometer
- 35. Electroscope
- 36. Spectroscope
- 37. Geiger counter



大学工作

PROJECTS

Brandwein, Paul, Beck, Alfred, Strahler, Violet, Brennen, Matthew, and Turner, Daniel. The Earth-Its Changing Form. New York: Harcourt, Brace and World, 1970.

1. Build an altazimuth scope and use it (p. 516)

2. Keeping up to date on space satellites (p. 545)

Haggerty, James. Man's Conquest of Space. Vistas of Science 12. New York: Scholastic Book Services, 1966.

3. Solar cell (p. 118)

4. Water rocketry (pp. 119-120)

5. Simulated space flights (pp. 121-124)

Hibbs, Albert and Eiss, Albert. The Earth-Space Sciences. River Forest, Illinois: Laidlaw Brothers, 1971.

6. Prepare a skit to illustrate the steps taken by man in accumulating his knowledge of the solar system (p. 23)

7. Record of the apparent motion of a bright planet (p. 141).

8. Conduct a study on relativity (p. 191)

9. Repeat some of Gelileo's experiments (p. 195)

10. Make your own Geiger counter (p. 509)

- 11. Can plant life live on another planet? (p. 177)
- 12. How the gravitational constant was determined (p. 181)

13. Collect micrometeorites (T 184)

Houston, Walter, ed. Star Atlas and Workbook of the Heavens. Columbus, Ohio: American Education Publications, 1967.

14. The double stars (p. 8)

15. Nebulae and clusters (p. 12)

16. Variables and meteors (p. 16)

17. Deep sky photography (p. 20)

18. Observe Jupiter's satellites (p. 29)

19. The Messier club (p. 29)

20. Lunar crater drawings (p. 29)

Hynek, J. Allen and Anderson, Norman. Challenge of the Universe Vistas of Science 4. New York: Scholastic Book Services, 1965.

21. A modified theodolite (pp. 117-124)

22. Observing objects and phenomena of space (p. 134)



National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Space Resources For Teachers Biology. Washington D. C: NASA, 1969.

23. Space nutrition (p. 26)

24. Gas exchange and waste management (pp. 35-49)

25. Oxygen consumption (pp. 50-55)

26. Temperature stress (pp. 58-62)

27. Weightlessness (pp. 63-71)

28. Acceleration and vibration stress (pp. 72-74)

29. Problems of isolation and confinement (pp. 131-142)

National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Space Resources For Teachers Space Science. Washington D. C.: NASA, 1969.

30. Build and calibrate a spectroscope (p. 52)

Thurber, Walter and Kilburn, Robert. Exploring Earth Science. Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 1970.

31. Make and use a simple two lens telescope (p. 363)

32. Take star trails using high speed Ektachrome film and explain the results, p. 366 (#10)

33. Make a small planetarium, p. 366 (#19)

34. Effect of launching angle, p. 430 (#8)
35. Models of paths of objects traveling through space, p. 431 (#9)

36. Amount of force exerted by different balloon rockets, p. 431 (#10)

REPORTS

- Importance of radio astronomy
- 2. Quasars
- How stars are named 3.
- Prepare a report on one of the scientists for whom a moon crater 4.
- Report on the accomplishments of any one of the following: 5.
 - Copernicus
 - Galileo **b.**
 - Halley C.
 - Kepler d.
 - Bode e.
 - Brahe ſ.
 - Mewton **5**•
 - Ptolemy h.
 - Goddard i.
 - Von Braun
 - Einstein
- Famous comets 6.
- Meteors
- Star oddities

FIELD TRIPS

- Planetarium at the Museum of Science. 1. At present there are special programs for junior and senior high schools. However, they will present a program on any area if requested. Normal programs are \$.35 per student. Special programs are \$1.00 per student.
- Observatory at the Museum of Science. 2. Reflector and refractor telescopes, spectrograph, star cameras, and a coronagraph are used.

Cape Kennedy 3.



RESOURCE PEOPLE

- 1. Meteorologist to explain how satellites are used in weather forecasting.
- 2. Southern Cross Astronomical Society at the Museum of Science.
- 3. Amateur Astronomer to explain how to make a telescope.
- 4. Planetarium Education Jack Horkheimer, Museum of Science.

MATHEMATICAL PROBLEMS

- 1. The closest visible star is Alpha Centauri. It is 25,240,000,000,000 miles away. How many astronomical units (AU) is this?
- 2. Alpha Centauri is how many light years away from the earth?
- J. Use scientific notation to give the distance from earth to Alpha Centauri in miles.
- 4. Light travels at 186,272 miles per second. What distance does it travel in one year?
- 5. If it takes seven seconds for the information sent by a space probe satellite to reach the earth, how far from the earth is the satellite?
- 6. A star is 652 light years away, what is this in parsecs?
- 7. The Doppler effect can be expressed as

Develop problems using the above formula.

8. Universal law of gravitation
$$F = \frac{GH, M_2}{d^2}$$

Develop problems using the above formula.

- 9. Calculate time required to go to various places traveling at 25,000
- 10. Kepler's third law $\frac{p^2}{p^2} = \frac{R^3}{r^3}$

P is the period of one planet, p is the period of the second planet, and R and r are the average orbital radii of the two planets respectively. Develop problems using the above formula.

11. A star's brightness, luminosity, and distance are related by the inverse square law.

$$B = \frac{L}{D^2}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{L}{B}}$$

Develop problems using the above formula.

DADE COUNTY 16MM FILMS

- Biology in Space Science
 AV# 1-11468, 13% min. C
- 2. Centrifugal Force
 AV# 1-10698, 13 min. BW
- 3. Centripetal Force and Satellite Orbits

 AV# 1-01784, 11 min. BW
- 4. Cosmic Rays

 AV# 1-30330, 29 min. C
- 5. Demonstrations With Light AV# 1-10728, 11 min. C
- 6. Earth Satellites (Emplorers of Outer Space)

 AV# 1-11449, 17 min. BV
- 7. Elliptic Orbits (0310)
 AV# 1-10701, 18 min. BW
- 8. Exploring by Satellite AV# 1-30740, 28 min. C
- 9. Exploring Space
 AW 1-30737, 25 min. C
- 10. Exploring the Universe AV# 1-01516, 11 min. BW
- 11. Force and Motion

 AVF 1-01748, 10 min. BW
- Force of Gravity

 AV# 1-30285, 29 min. C
- 13. Gelileo AV# 1-12494, 14 min. C
- 14. Gravity
 AV# 1-01787, 10 min. BW
- 15. Gravity: The Mighty Pull

 AV# 1-10705, 13% min. C
- 16. How Many Stars?

 AW 1-01524, 10 min. BW
- 17. How Vast is Space?

 AV# 1-10633, 18 min. C
- 18. How We Explore Space

 AV# 1-10621, 15 min. C
- Jet and Rocket Engines

 AW# 1-03623, 10 min. C
- 20. Laws of Motion

 AVF 1-10682, 12 min. BW
- 21. Men in Space AV# 1-30742, 35 min. C
- 22. Mars and Beyond

 AW# 1-10682, _2 min. BW
- 23. Measuring Large Distances

 AV# 1-30252, 29 min. BV
- 24. Motion and Time AV# 1-10672, 13 min. C
- 25. <u>Hystery of Time</u>
 AV# 1-40017, 40 min. C

Nearest Star, The AV# 1-30217, 29 min. C 26. Newton, Isaac AV# 1-12468, 13% min. BW 27. Nuclear Radiation: Detection 28. AV# 1-10798 Nuclear Radiation In Outer Space 29. AV# 1-11423 Realm of the Galaxies, The 30. AV# 1-10636, 19 min. C Rockets: How They Work 31. AV# 1-11424, 16 min. C Satellites: Stepping Stones to Space 32. AV# 1-11447 Science in Space *33*• AV# 1-30746, 29 min. C Strange Case of The Cosmic Rays, The (Part 1)

AV# 1-30243, 30 min. C 34. Strange Case of The Cosmic Rays, The (Part 2)

AV# 1-30246, 30 min. C 35. Understanding Our Universe
AV# 1-01534, 11 min. C **36.**

DADE COUNTY MODELS

- Astronomy, Set 1 AV# 6-00162
- Astronomy, Set 2 AV# 6-00163 2.
- Footsteps To The Moon AV# 6-00030 3.
- Planetarium Model AV# 6-00035

DADE COUNTY TRANSPARENCIES

- Astronomy AV# 2-30028 1.
- Behavior of Light (Lens-Telescope) AV# 2-00160 2.
- Earth Science: Astronomy, Set 1 AV# 2-30000
- Earth Science: Astronomy, Set 2 AV# 2-30146 4.
- Force and Motion, Unit 2: Centrifugal and Centripetal Force
- Mechanics: Scientific Notation AV# 2-00186 6.
- Universe, The: Northern Star System AV# 2-00210



DADE COUNTY SLIDES

- Astronomy: Stars and Planets. 30 (2x2) AV# 5-20097
- Man in Space: The Cape Canaveral Story 36 (2x2); 1 tape recording, 600 15 7-1/2 IPS S-T; SG AV# 5-50031
- Missiles At Cape Kennedy 10 (2x2) AV# 5-20170 3.
- Rocket Trip. A. 26 (2x2) AV# 5-20082

SUGGESTED DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What has our understanding of nuclear energy revealed about 1. the sun?
- What information about the earth might be learned from studying meteorites?
- Why would a manned exploration of the moon seem likely to 3. accomplish more than a well-equipped unmanned capsule?
- Why does the speed of Halley's Comet vary?
- If the sun were a variable star, how would the earth be 5. affected?
- Why are retrorockets instead of parachutes used for landing on the moon?
- What are some of the rights and obligations of men and nations 7. in space research?
- If a heavy object is to be placed in the same orbit as an 8. object with less mass, which object would have to move with the greater velocity?
- What problems are involved in making a trip lasting months or 9. years to another star system?
- You have 24 hours to collect samples from the planet Earth 10. to carry back to planet X. You do not land near a city and do not see any earthlings. What would you collect if you could carry back only/100 pounds of substances? What kind of materials would give the best overview of what the earth is like?
- Why are minus magnitudes used? 11.
- If you were an astronomer in another galaxy how would you 12. describe the path of earth?
- What will happen to earth when the sun becomes a red giant 13. star?
- How can lengths be expressed in terms of time? 14.



SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. A variety of experiments are suggested at various levels of sophistication. It would be impossible to complete all of the labs within the nine weeks. The teacher should choose those labs which are best adapted to their student's ability levels, time schedules, and available facilities. Hany experiments may be used as demonstrations and vice-versa.
- 2. The reference list is purposely short. Every school has an ample supply of excellent books on all aspects of space that should be used.
- 3. The books that are listed can be considered "musts".
- 4. The Universe a Life Nature Library book may be used as a text.
 A classroom should have at least 15 copies.
- 5. The Earth-Space Sciences published by Laidlaw is the state-adopted text with the most comprehensive coverage of space.
- 6. Planets, Stars and Galaxies published by John Wiley & Sons is an excellent teacher reference.
- 7. The only real way to learn about stars is to look at them.
 Hopefully, you can have night labs or give homework assignments and the students can compile the information the next
- 8. This course as written does not mandate the curriculum. It may be adapted to a variety of teaching strategies:
 - a. A self-pacing, individualized learning approach
 - b. Small group seminar-research type approach
 - c. A structured situation in which all students participate in the same activities



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